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SUBJECT

Article in Lashui & 20.4.46 re the
Powers of the President to correspond with
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ROUTINE NOTES

[To be used only for notes, requisitions etc, not intended for permanent record]

Cuttin form Sadhu dated
30th April 1946

A statement by Mr B Narayanaswamy, Leader of the Congress Party in the Mysore City Municipal Council, regarding the powers of the President to correspond with the Govt and not placing before the House certain correspondence with the Govt.

Re: ~~President~~
1) A report will be obtained
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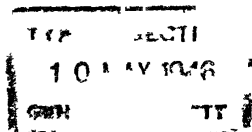
2) Subd with a draft to the President, City Municipal Council, Mysore, calling for his remarks

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The President, City Municipal Council, Mysore

NPL 12500 dated 13 5. 46

Forwarded for report to the President, City Municipal Council, Mysore dated 20 4. 46 containing a draft by Mr B Narayanaswamy re the powers of the President, to correspond with the Govt.



N.B — should routine notes be written on small slips the notes must be copied or slips pasted on this form

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From the President, City Municipal Council, Mysore

MS-C 284-77
MS-46 dated 5-6-46

Furnishes a report on the article in "Sadhvi", dated 30-4-46, regarding the powers of the President, Mysore City Municipal Council to correspond with the Govt.

4) The allegations made in the "Sadhvi" dated 30-4-46, against the President, City Municipal Council, Mysore, and the replies furnished by the President, on the several points, are noted below —

I The President refused to place before the Municipal Council certain correspondence with the Govt, and that such automatic and arbitrary action on the part of the President would lead to loss of confidence in the President

The President has stated that he letters
the Resolution.

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President being treated as final, has already been read out and recorded by the Municipal Council on 30-3-46 and that all the allegations are wholly baseless and unwarranted

II That the President corresponds directly with the Govt, about his subordinate officers and Municipal Councilors, without the permission of the Council, though, such a procedure is not adopted in its city Municipality

The President says that this view is unsound and impracticable and that he must be free to discharge his duties and responsibilities and that the Municipal Council is being consulted in all matters requiring its opinion or decision

5) The President has stated that the above article in "Sachin" does not deserve note and has suggested that a press note may be caused to be issued, so as to remove wrong impression in the minds of the public

6) Refer. para 1 Subma.

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11) Apart from the baseless and unwarranted statements made by Mr Narayana this is a matter involving the powers of the President to correspond with Government on Municipal and official matters without previously consulting the Council, indirectly raising some constitutional issues in the face of continued obstruction from a party which is, in and out of time, urging for conceding the right to elect a non-official President

✓ It would appear to be unnecessary to issue a Press Note in the matter at this distance of time

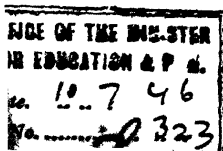
12) If considered necessary, the Press Advisory Committee may also be consulted at its next meeting

14) Subtd for personal
Law secretariat
Chief from Admin
29/6/46

15) At this distance of time a press note
appears unnecessary
the matter being not
one of great importance
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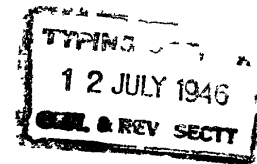


16) A draft reply to be prepared by Mysore City Municipal Council is put up

17) for app'l - Mysore City
Mysore City Municipal Council
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To The President, City of
Hudson
L 705 dated 13-7-46



States that the issue of a press note in the
matter is unnecessary, the matter ^{not} being one
of great importance

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The paper has published a statement by Mr. B. Narayana Swami, leader of the Congress party in the Mysore city Municipal Council. The statement is on the following lines -

At the last meeting of the Municipal Council, the President refused to place before the House certain correspondence with Government. This is illegal, and the Government, too, should not reply to letters from the Municipal President when the Council has not been taken into confidence by the President.

In Bangalore, the Municipal Commissioner does not correspond with Government over the head of the Municipal President. But in Mysore city, the President corresponds with Government independently and writes to Government about Municipal employees and even about Municipal Councillors. This is entirely objectionable.

The final responsibility for all Municipal work and powers of the Municipality rests with the Municipal Council itself. Even the President is not above the Council. The letters from Government are meant for the perusal of the entire Council. Government should enquire into the matter and give needful directions to the President. Failing this, the Councillors will not hesitate to take suitable steps to safeguard the powers of the Council.

A report will be submitted to the Government.

Rev. Sir,

15th January 1946

For Ed. N. A. L.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ ನಿರಂಕುಶ ವರ್ತನೆ
ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಪಕ್ಷದ ನಾಯಕರ ಹೇಳಿಕೆ

ಮೈಸೂರು 20
ಮೈಸೂರು ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್
ಪಕ್ಷದ ನಾಯಕರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ನಂ. ಯ
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ಇತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ -

ಕಳೆದ ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ಅಧಿವೇಶನದಲ್ಲಿ
ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಬಂದ ಪತ್ರವ್ಯವ
ಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಇಡಲು ನಿ
ರ್ದೇಶಿಸಿದ ಅಂಶವು ನಿರಂಕುಶ ಪ್ರವರ್ತನೆ
ಯಾಕೆಂದಾಗಿದೆ ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ದೆ
ಸ್ತು ಹಿಂದೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದೊಡನೆ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು ಪ
ತ್ರವ್ಯವಹಾರ ನಡೆಸಲು ಯಾವ ಕಾನೂನು
ನಿಯಮ ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನವಿಲ್ಲ ಹಾಗೆ ಅವರು
ನಡೆಸಿದರೆ ಪೌರಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ಲಕ್ಷ್ಯದ ಸ
ರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರವನ್ನು ಕೂ
ಟುವುದು ಉಚಿತವಲ್ಲ

ದಿಂಗಳೂ ಪೌರಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಒಬ್ಬ
ಧಿಕಾರಿ ಕವಿ ಜನರು ಇದ್ದಾಗ್ಯೂ ಪತ್ರ ಸ
ಭೆಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ ಆಜ್ಞೆ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ದೊಡನೆ ನೇರವಾಗಿ ಪತ್ರವ್ಯವಹಾರ ಬೆಳೆ
ಸಲು ಅವರಿಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲ ಹೀಗಿರು
ವಲ್ಲಿ ಇಲ್ಲದ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು ತಾವೇ ಸ್ವತಂತ್ರ
ಇದ್ದ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ನಡೆಸುವುದು ಶು
ಭ ತಮ್ಮ ಇಷ್ಟೇ ಅಲ್ಲದೆ ಈ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ
ರು ತಮ್ಮ ಕೈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಇತರ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ
ಮೇಲೆ ಪೌರಸಭಾ ಸದಸ್ಯರ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ
ಯೂ ಸಭೆಯ ತೀರ್ಮಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಇಲ್ಲದೆಯೇ ಸ
ರ್ಕಾರದೊಡನೆ ವ್ಯವಹಾರ ಸ್ತರೀಯವೆಂದು
ತಿಳಿದುಕೊಂಡಿದೆ

ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ಅಧೀನವಿಲ್ಲದ ಪೌರ
ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಅಂತರ್ಗತವಾಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು
ಕಾನೂನು ಪ್ರಕೃತವಾಗಿ ಹೇಳುತ್ತದೆ ಸ
ಭೆಯ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಕಲಾಪಗಳೂ ಆ
ಜ್ಞೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರವು ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲೇ ಇರು
ತ್ತದೆ ಸಭೆಗಿಂತಲೂ ಅಧಿಕಾರವಾದ ಅಧಿ
ಕಾರವು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರಿಗೆ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ದೊಡನೆ ನಡೆಸತಕ್ಕ ಸಕಲ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳೂ
ಸಭೆಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ್ದೇ ವಿನಃ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೊ
ಬ್ಬರಿಗೇ ಸೇರಿದ್ದಲ್ಲ

ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಬಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಬಂದ
ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಗದ ಪತ್ರಗಳು ಬಂದರೆ ಅದು ಪೌ
ರಸಭೆಯ ಅವಗಾಹನಗಾರ್ಯವೇ ಹೊರ
ತು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರಿಗಾಗಿ ಅಲ್ಲ ಒಬ್ಬ ಹಿಂದಿನ
ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಿರಂಗವಾಗಿ ಓದಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ
ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನ ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ
ಇಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ವುದು ಕೇವಲ
ಅನುಚಿತ ವರ್ತನೆ ಇದನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ
ವರು ಅನುಮೋದಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ನಾನು
ಘೋಷಿಸಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಪತ್ರವ್ಯವಹಾರ
ಗಳು ಸಭೆಯ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬರಲೆಂಬುದೇ ಸ
ರ್ಕಾರದವರ ಅಪೇಕ್ಷೆಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆ

ಈ ಅಂಶವನ್ನು ಕೂಡಲೇ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ
ವರು ಕೂಡಲೇ ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಿ ಯಾ
ವುದನ್ನು ವರಿ ಮಾಡಬೇಡಿ ಅಂತರಗ
ತವನ್ನು ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಇಡುವಂತೆ ಅಧ್ಯ
ಕ್ಷರಿಗೆ ಸೂಕ್ತವಾದ ತೀರ್ಮಾನವನ್ನು
ಕೊಡುವುದು ಅವಶ್ಯಕ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ ಇಂತ
ಹ ವರ್ತನೆಗಳಿಂದ ಸಭೆಯ ಮೇಲೆ ನೆರವಿ
ರುವ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆ ಭರವಸೆಗಳು ಕಡಿ
ಮೆಯಾಗಲು ಕಾರಣವಾಗುವುದು ಇಂ
ತಹ ವರ್ತನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸಭಾ ಸದಸ್ಯರ ಸಹಿ
ಸಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯವಿಲ್ಲ ಕೂಡಲೇ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು
ತಮ್ಮ ರೀತಿ ನೀತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಬದಲಾಯಿಸಿ
ಕೊಂಡು ಸಭೆಯ ದಕ್ಕ ಬಾಧ್ಯವಾಗುವ
ರಕ್ಷಿಸಲು ತೊಡಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಈ ಒಳ್ಳೆ ಸೂಕ್ತ
ವಾದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ನಡೆಸಲು ಕೈ
ಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಹಿಂಜರಿಯುವುದಿಲ್ಲ

ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ಅಧೀನವಿಲ್ಲದ ಪೌರ
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ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಬಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಬಂದ
ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಗದ ಪತ್ರಗಳು ಬಂದರೆ ಅದು ಪೌ
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ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನ ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ
ಇಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ವುದು ಕೇವಲ
ಅನುಚಿತ ವರ್ತನೆ ಇದನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ
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ದೊಡನೆ ನಡೆಸತಕ್ಕ ಸಕಲ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳೂ
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ಬ್ಬರಿಗೇ ಸೇರಿದ್ದಲ್ಲ

ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಬಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಬಂದ
ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಗದ ಪತ್ರಗಳು ಬಂದರೆ ಅದು ಪೌ
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ತು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರಿಗಾಗಿ ಅಲ್ಲ ಒಬ್ಬ ಹಿಂದಿನ
ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಿರಂಗವಾಗಿ ಓದಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ
ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನ ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ
ಇಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ವುದು ಕೇವಲ
ಅನುಚಿತ ವರ್ತನೆ ಇದನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ
ವರು ಅನುಮೋದಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ನಾನು
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ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ಅಧೀನವಿಲ್ಲದ ಪೌರ
ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಅಂತರ್ಗತವಾಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು
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ತ್ತದೆ ಸಭೆಗಿಂತಲೂ ಅಧಿಕಾರವಾದ ಅಧಿ
ಕಾರವು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರಿಗೆ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ದೊಡನೆ ನಡೆಸತಕ್ಕ ಸಕಲ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳೂ
ಸಭೆಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ್ದೇ ವಿನಃ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೊ
ಬ್ಬರಿಗೇ ಸೇರಿದ್ದಲ್ಲ

ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಬಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಬಂದ
ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಗದ ಪತ್ರಗಳು ಬಂದರೆ ಅದು ಪೌ
ರಸಭೆಯ ಅವಗಾಹನಗಾರ್ಯವೇ ಹೊರ
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The President,

City Municipal Council,

Mysore

Sir,

I am directed to forward
herewith a cutting from Sadhvi
dated 30th April 1946 containing
a statement by Mr B Narayana-
-swamy, Leader of the Congress
Party in the Mysore City Municipal
Council, regarding the powers of
the President, to correspond
with the Govt and not placing
before the House certain
correspondence with the Government
and to request ^{you} to forward

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~~Your remarks on the allegations
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report in the
matter re: [unclear]

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Re: New Department

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From

my ml 11-45-181
R Ramachandra Rao Bhombore, Esq, B A

President City Municipal Council
MYSORE

To

J B Mallaradhya, Esq, M A,
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Bangalore

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MYSORE
Date 8th June, 1946

Sir,

Subject - Article in 'Sadhvi' dated 30-4-1946 regarding the powers of the President to correspond with Government

With reference to your letter No L 21580 dated 13-5-1946 forwarding for a detailed report, a cutting from the paper 'Sadhvi' dated 30-4-1946 on the above subject, I have the honour to state as follows -

The article refers to a proposition which Mr B Narayanaswamy, Municipal Councillor and leader of the Mysore City Municipal Congress Party wanted to move at the meeting of the Municipal Council held on 24-11-1945 regarding the disturbances which took place at Calcutta at that time. The proposition was disallowed by me under Rule 32-II-B of the Municipal Act and Bye-laws as already intimated to Government, vide my letters No M5 284-77/45-46 dated 26-11-1945 and 5-1-46 (copies enclosed for ready reference) and correspondence ending with your letter No L 9762 dated 22-3-1946 intimating that Rule 5(b) of the Municipal Bye-laws does not apply to decisions given by the President under Rule 32-II-B.

The proceedings of the meeting of the Council held on 24-11-45 on the subject along with the above letter of Government dated 22-3-1946 were placed before the Council at the meeting of the Council held on 30-3-1946 and confirmed. The proceedings of the meeting held on 30-3-46 were read and recorded at the subsequent meeting of the Council held on 27-4-46. As such the subject was finally closed and could not be re-opened within three months except in the manner prescribed under Article 27(14) of the Municipal Act.

All the same Mr Agaram Rangiah, one of the Councillors belong

ing to the Congress Party sent an interpellation bearing on the subject to be answered at the meeting of 27-4-46, asking whether the President had corresponded with Government in the matter and if so whether the approval of the Council was obtained in the matter and wanted the entire file of correspondence to be placed before the Council. To this a reply was given that there was no necessity to obtain the sanction of Council to correspond with the Government and that it was not possible to place the file before the Council, in view of the fact that the matter had been finally closed as mentioned above.

It was after this reply, given at the meeting held on 27-4-1946, that the article was published in the 'Sadhvi' dated 30-4-46 by Mr B Narayanaswamy. In this connection, it may be pointed out that the entire correspondence ending with Revenue Secretary's letter No L 9762 dated 22-3-1946 was placed at the meeting on 30-3-46 and recorded by the Council. As such there was no necessity to place the file once again before the Council on 27-4-46 as desired by Mr Agaram Rangiah in his interpellation. The remarks of Mr B Narayanaswamy in the 'Sadhvi' dated 30-4-46 describing my action as "arbitrary and autocratic and that such action will lead to loss of confidence in the President on the part of the Councillors and that I should change my policy etc", are wholly baseless and unwarranted.

Recently, Mr Agaram Rangiah sent in a proposition to be included in the Agenda of the Council meeting dated 25-5-46 to the effect that "the President be requested to circulate among the members, the correspondence between him and the Government" on the same subject. To avoid unnecessary controversy and misunderstanding letter No 9742 dated 2-3-1946 from Government on the subject which had been already read and recorded at the Council meeting on 30-3-1946 was allowed to be perused by Messrs Agaram Rangiah, B Narayanaswamy and other Councillors at the meeting of the Council held on 25-5-1946. Thereupon Mr Agaram Rangiah withdrew the proposition, his curiosity having been satisfied. A copy of the proceedings relating to this subject

is enclosed for favour of kind perusal

As regards the remarks of Mr B Narayanaswamy in his article that the President corresponds direct with Government about his subordinate officers and Municipal Councillors, I beg to state that I am not aware of any provision in the Act which directs that the President should take the permission of the Council whenever he writes to Government about the work and conduct of his direct - subordinates, unless the matter requires the opinion or decision of the Council. There has been no occasion for such an omission. The reference to my writing to Government about Municipal Councillors relates, evidently, to the Municipal Councillor Mr Rangaswamiiah a member of the Congress Party. In his case, the Government sent a cutting from 'Mysore Patrika' paper titled 'ಗೌರವ ಸೂಚಿ' to me for a report (vide reference No L 9108/W dated 8-3-46). The report called for was submitted in this office letter No PC 2272 dated 13-3-1946. This has possibly upset Mr Narayanaswamy and his friends who are evidently under the wrong impression that the unbecoming conduct of the said Municipal Councillor was wantonly reported by me to Government on my own initiative. According to the writer of the Article, the President should have no correspondence of any kind with the Government without the permission of the Council. This view is on the face of it impracticable and unsound. The President must be free to discharge the duties and responsibilities conferred on him by Section 24 of the Act and Rules, otherwise the day to day administration becomes almost impossible. In these circumstances I may add that the article deserves no notice.

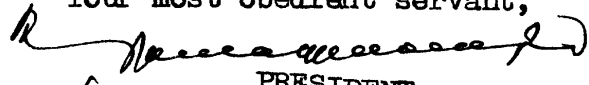
As the article is likely to mislead the public, I request that a Press Note may be kindly caused to be issued if there be no objection.

The papers received from Government are enclosed herewith.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,


PRESIDENT.

Letter No M5 C 284-77/45-46 dated 26th November 1945 from the President, City Municipal Council, Mysore, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Bangalore

Adjournment of the Ordinary General meeting of the Municipal
Council (24.11.45)

I have the honour to state that before the commencement of the proceedings of the Ordinary General meeting of the Municipal Council to-day, Mr B Narayanaswamy Municipal Councillor, moved a resolution as noted in the margin* and the same was seconded by Mr Agaram Rangiah

-----After some discussion, I disallowed the resolution under Rule 32 of the Mysore City Municipal Rules and Bye-laws, as it was not within the scope of the Municipal Administration

Resolved that in order to protest against the high-handed and unwarranted firing by the Police on innocent and unarmed students and the public at Calcutta resulting in deaths and casualties and as a mark of respect to the deceased, the Council do stand adjourned to Tuesday the 27th November 45 at 4-30 P M ,

-----Mr A Krishnamurthy Rao, member of the Council then

brought forward another resolution as noted in the margin* for a simple adjournment This was duly seconded by Mr Agaram Rangiah and was put to vote and carried by 16 against 6.

-----I move that the business of this Council do stand adjourned to Tuesday the 27th November 45 at 4 P M

-----The meeting was therefore adjourned to Tuesday the 27th November 45

A copy of the proceedings of the meeting and also the detailed discussions that took place are herein enclosed for information

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R. Narayanaswamy
PRESIDENT
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Subject - Adjournment of the Ordinary General meeting of the City Municipal Council convened for the 24th November 1945

In continuation of my letter No M5.C 284/45-46 dated the 26th November 1945 reporting on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the Municipal Councillor Mr B Narayanaswamy, subsequently sent a letter dated 10th December 1945 requesting for inclusion of the marginally* noted resolution in the Council Agenda for the Ordinary General meeting on the 20th December 1945 After consider-

"Resolved that this Council under Rule 5 Clause (b) Chapter II of the Municipal Rules and Bye-laws, disputes the decision of the President given in the meeting held on 24-11-1945 disallowing the resolution for an adjournment of the Council for reasons mentioned in the said resolution moved by Mr B Narayanaswamy and seconded by Mr Agaram Rangiah holding that it was not within the scope of the Municipal Administration which decision of the President is ultra-vires and an infringement of the right of the members to move for an adjournment with reason or without reason as contemplated under the provisions of the City Municipal Rules and Byelaws framed thereunder

ing all the aspects of the question he was given a reply to the effect that the resolution tabled by him was not included in the agenda under Rule 32-II B of the Municipal Rule and Byelaws in as much as it related to the original proposition which was ruled out by the President, as it did not pertain to matters connected with the business of the meeting of the Municipal Administration as prescribed in proviso to

section 27 of the City Municipalities Act It was also pointed out to him that Rule 5 Clause (b) Chapter II of the Municipal Rules and Byelaws quoted by him in support of the resolution tabled had no bearing on the case and it referred to a case wherein the Presiding Authority would give a decision on a point of order required to be preserved at the meeting and the resolution brought forward by him was not one of that type The member pursued the matter, and sent again a letter dated 19th December 1945 in reply to this, requesting for a reconsideration of the decision and for inclusion of the abovesaid resolution in the agenda for reasons stated in his letter a copy of which is herein enclosed for kind perusal

In the meanwhile, the question cropped up for discussion on the following day during the Ordinary meeting of the Municipal Council on 20-12-45, when the subject of confirmation of the proceedings of the last meeting was taken up for consideration After a lengthy discussion, the following resolution was moved by Mr T Mariappa and seconded by Mr Agaram Rangiah

*While confirming the proceedings of the meeting dated the 24th and 27th November 1945, the Council's opinion regarding the ruling given on the 24th November 45, is deferred "

There was a difference of opinion as to whether such a proposition could at this stage be brought forward As much time was occupied in the debate on the subject and the Council persisted in recording the above resolution as a matter of academic interest, and in order to get through the business of the meeting the resolution was put to vote, and carried, 16 members voting for, one against, and one remaining neutral The subject will therefore come up for discussion again at the next meeting to arrive at a finding on the issue involved A copy of the discussions that took place at the meeting in this connection is herein enclosed

Rule 3 Chapter II of the Municipal Rules and Byelaws requires that at the commencement of the proceedings of each General Meeting the minutes of the previous meeting shall be read and if any member objects as to the correctness or incomplete recording the Presiding Authority shall after taking the sense of the meeting make such corrections as he thinks proper and the amended minutes shall

after taking the sense of the meeting make such corrections as he thinks proper and the amended minutes shall then be confirmed, and signed by the Presiding Authority

I am doubtful whether under this rule the member can object to the propriety of the ruling given by the President disallowing a proposition after discussion under Rule 32 of the Municipal Rules and Byelaws. The legal opinion of the Government Pleader on this point is to the effect that even though they discussed the matter and pass a resolution, the effect will be a nullity and the ruling already given by the Presiding Authority remains unaltered. I, request however for a clarification on this point.

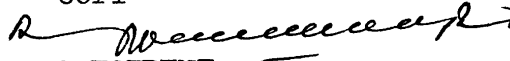
On a previous occasion in October 1941, when the Council wanted to convene a special meeting for consideration of the resolution tabled in connection with the presentation of a Civic Address to Mr H Siddiah, B A , LL B , the then President of the Congress, it was at first refused, but subsequently however the meeting was allowed and the proceedings were ruled out as the subject matter was unconnected with the Municipal Administration. On this another special meeting was held and the Council passed the resolution that the ruling of the President was incorrect. It seems that the matter was referred to Government, for a decision as to whether a discussion under Rule 5(B) could be allowed to dispute the decision of the President under a different rule and no information is traceable as to what orders were received in this connection.

There appears to be no provision to bring forward any proposition to ~~bring forward any proposition~~ or motion to dispute the decision given, disallowing a resolution under Rule 32 of the Municipal Rules and Byelaws. Rule 5(b) entirely relates to a case where a decision is given on a point of order, which any member of the Council, is called at the meeting under Rule 5(a),

In these circumstances, I am of opinion that the resolution tabled by Mr B Narayanaswamy is not in order and the Council resolution as to the incorrectness of decision given by the President, will not have any effect.

I request that a clear ruling on the point of the procedure to be followed in such cases may kindly be issued.

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PRESIDENT

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Proceedings of the Ordinary General Meeting of the Municipal Council held on Saturday the 25th May 1946 at 4 P M. in the Municipal Offices -

PRESENT

- 1 R Ramachandra Rao Bhombore, Esq ,B A ,
President
- 2 A Krishnamurthy Rao,Esq , Vice-President
- 3 P Sitharamiah, Esq ,B A ,B L ,
- 4 A N Suryanarayana Rao,Esq ,
- 5 T Narasimha Iyengar,Esq , B A ,B L ,
- 6 B Narayanaswamy,Esq ,B A ,B L ,
- 7 Agaram Rangiah, Esq ,
- 8 K S Satyanarayana Rao, Esq ,
- 9 G R Rangaswamlah, Esq ,
- 10 M V Venkataramiah, Esq ,
- 11 M S Nanjappa, Esq ,
- 12 H Thammiah, Esq ,
- 13 G Janardan Naidu, Esq ,
- 14 M R C Basappa, Esq ,
- 15 E P Nanjappa, Esq ,
- 16 T Chandrasekharagowda, Esq ,
- 17 V N Dasappa, Esq ,
- 18 U.L Ramachandra Rao, Esq ,
- 19 Dr A V Ranga Rao
- 20 T Venkataramanlah, Esq ,
- 21 F C Devaraj Urs, Esq ,
- 22 Mrs W H Theobald
- 23 K Siddiah, Esq ,
- 24 Gulam Ahamed Khan, Esq ,

ABSENT

- 25 M N Jois, Esq ,B A ,
- 26 Sramathi Kaveri Bai
- 27 T Mariappa, Esq ,B A ,LL B ,
- 28 Chowdiah, Esq ,
- 29 T S Ali Khan, Esq ,
- 30 Mohamed Sait, Esq , (with permission)
- 31 Patnam Srinivasa Setty,Esq ,

1089 Resolution tabled by Mr Agaram Rangiah, Municipal Councillor -

"This Council resolves that the President be requested to circulate among its members the correspondence between him and the Government regarding the President's disallowing a resolution of Mr B Narayanaswamy, Municipal Councillor, pertaining to a ruling given by the President "

"Withdrawn"

Sd R Ramachandra Rao Bhombore,
President

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PRESIDENT

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Dear Sir,

Sry - Article in "Sadhvi" dated
30-4-46, regarding the powers of the
president to correspond with Gandhi

In reply to your letter do 115-

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directed to state that the issue of a
press note ^{on the subject suggested by you} at this distance of time is
unnecessary, the matter ^{also not} being ~~not~~
one of great importance

Ys sincerely

R Ramachandra Rao Shastri
President, City M.C. ^{Gen. Sec. A} 
Lig. Sec. 